

53. (New) A computer readable medium having objects stored thereon for causing a computer system to dynamically connect objects, the objects stored on the medium comprising:

a plurality of sink objects, each sink object having a notification interface for communicating with the sink object from the source object; and

a plurality of source objects, each source object having a connection point object, each connection point object storing a notification interface and returning an identification of the notification interface upon request.

REMARKS

At the outset, the undersigned wishes to thank the Examiner for the courtesies extended during our several telephone conversations regarding this application, which is a reissue application regarding U.S. Patent No. 5,485,617 ("the '617 patent").

As discussed with the Examiner, and in accordance with 37 CFR 1.173, the present amendment includes all claims from the '617 patent that have been amended, designated herein by "(Once amended)" following the claim number, and all claims that have been added in this reissue application, designated herein by "(New)" following the claim number.

Claims 1, 17, 27, and 45 were present in the original patent and are amended herein. Each amendment to these claims corrects one or more typographical errors. These amendments add no new matter.

Claims 46-53 are added as new claims herein. None of them contains new matter. The new claims are supported in the specification of the '617 patent as follows:

Claim 46 is based on claim 27 of the '617 patent, rewritten in the form of a computer-readable medium claim.

Claim 47 is based on claim 39 of the '617 patent, rewritten in the form of a computer-readable medium claim and modified to remove the requirements of more than one notification function member and more than one connection point object.

Claim 48 finds support in the specification at least from columns 9 and 10 in conjunction with Figure 3, which describes source, sink, and connection point objects, as well as notification interfaces. Column 12, line 37 through column 14, line 6 describes the use of lists of notification interfaces and connection point objects as well as the returning of an identification of one of the notification interfaces upon request.

Claim 49 is based on claim 42 of the '617 patent, rewritten in the form of a computer readable medium claim.

Claim 50 is based on claim 44 of the '617 patent, rewritten in the form of a computer readable medium claim, and modified to (1) refer to interfaces as described in claim 48 rather than function members and (2) remove the requirements of more than one notification interface and more than one connection point.

Claim 51 is based on claim 39 of the '617 patent, modified to (1) refer to interfaces as described in claim 48 rather than function members and (2) remove the requirements of more than one notification interface and more than one connection point object.

Claim 52 is based on claim 44 of the '617 patent, modified to (1) refer to interfaces as described in claim 48 rather than function members and (2) remove the requirements of more than one notification interface and more than one connection point.

Claim 53 is based on claim 39 of the '617 patent, rewritten in the form of a computer readable medium claim and modified to (1) refer to interfaces as described in claim 48 rather

than function members and (2) remove the requirements of more than one notification interface and more than one connection point object.

The Applicant respectfully submits that, upon entry of the present amendment and in light of the arguments herein, all claims are in condition for allowance. An early notice to that effect is respectfully requested. Should any matters remain, the Examiner is respectfully requested to telephone the undersigned.

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